

**City of Waltham Massachusetts
Community Preservation Act
Historic, Open Space and Recreation
Funding Application WCPA-1**



APPLICANT INFORMATION

Name of Applicant ⁽¹⁾ City of Waltham

Name of Co-Applicant, if applicable ⁽¹⁾ _____

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PROJECT BASICS

Address of Project (or Assessor's Parcel ID) R 054 001 0001 (225-227 Beaver Street); R 053 003 0001(240 Beaver Street); R 053 003 0014 (240 AFT Beaver Street)

CPA Category (check all that apply):

☒ Open space

☒ Historic preservation

☒ Open space recreation

☐ Community Housing (You must also complete Application WCPA-2)

CPA Funding Requested 14 million dollars

Total Cost of Proposed Project Not to exceed amount will be in Executive Session and disclosed as soon as possible

PROJECT DESCRIPTION

Attach answers to the following questions. Applications will be returned as incomplete if all requested information is not provided. Include supporting materials as necessary.

GOALS: What are the goals of the proposed project?

COMMUNITY NEED: Why is this project needed? Does it address needs identified in existing City plans?

COMMUNITY SUPPORT: What is the nature and level of support for this project? Include letters of support and any petitions.

TIMELINE: What is the schedule for project implantation? Include a timeline for all critical items for their

Jeannette A. McCarthy
Mayor 8/14/2019

CITY OF WALTHAM
COMMUNITY PRESERVATION ACT
HISTORIC, OPEN SPACE AND RECREATION
FUNDING APPLICATION WCPA -1
FOR UMASS PROPERTIES LOCATED
240 BEAVER STREET, 240 AFT BEAVER STREET
AND 225-227 BEAVER STREET

PROJECT DESCRIPTION

GOALS

To purchase UMASS parcels located at 225-227 Beaver Street, 240 Beaver Street, and 240 AFT Beaver Street, Waltham, Massachusetts from University of Massachusetts/Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

COMMUNITY NEED

The UMASS Field Station and farm have long been identified in the City's Open Space Plans. See Attached.

COMMUNITY SUPPORT

The Waltham City Council, Mayor and various community groups/individuals have supported the UMASS farm, its research, its community farms, its education and community outreach and the acquisition.

TIME LINE: ASAP

Working with the local delegation, UMASS will be filing state legislation.

CREDENTIALS

The City of Waltham has successfully acquired from the Commonwealth several state parcels, including the former Fernald School, the former Gaebler Hospital, the former Metropolitan State Hospital and Lot 1.

BUDGET

Acquisition Cost	\$	not to exceed amount will be in Executive Session and will be made public as soon as possible. Appraisals were completed by both parties.
Associated Closing Costs	20,000.00	
Total	\$	tbd
Less City Contribution		tbd
Amount requested from CPA	\$14,000,000.00	

OTHER FUNDING

City will provide the difference between not to exceed amount and 14 million dollars. City contribution will require City Council approval.

MAINTENANCE

Land and buildings will be in the City's General Inventory.

DOCUMENTATION

See attached

CONSTRUCTION OR REHABILITATION

None.

ZONING

Conservation/Recreation District.

CITY APPROVALS

City Council Order #____.
Special Act of the Legislature and Governor required.

HAZARDOUS MATERIALS

City of Waltham has undergone a Phase I and Phase II Environmental assessment. Environmental analysis is continuing.

PROFESSIONAL STANDARDS

Although not on the National Historic Register, UMASS is historically significant due to Cornelia Warren and the creative inventions such as Waltham Butternut Squash and Waltham Broccoli by individuals associated with the farm.

LEVERAGED ADDITIONAL BENEFITS

Community control of farm and large open space parcels.